

SFRC Minutes – November 12, 2013

Attendees: Claudia Covello, Rose Chan Gee, Kelsey, Max, Mark, Paula Lofgren, Fab Mejia, Hugh Graham, Bahar Navab, Pra Kash stepping in for Michelle, Nolan Pack, Joy Chen

Updates

Health and Wellness

Health and Wellness fee will be put off for now. The old one has to be removed first by the senate and the GA is looking for alternative funding sources for the future so as not to burden students with more fees for extended amount of time.

Action: DJ has to follow through for removal with the senate timeline is possibly two years according to Max

There is talk to extend the last fee on health and wellness to continue service.

Max indicated that the meeting with SA Philanthropy has not happened but will.

Student Tech Fee

Bahar and DJ have had the conversation and came up with the following

\$60 per semester with 3 components that would breakdown as follows: Return to aid \$20, Software \$25 and \$15 into a CACSSF type committee to take proposals for one time projects with technology i.e. printing services renovation. Bahar talked about the possibility of allowing fluctuation of the fees to include the ability of lowering the fee if the proposals are low. Students do not want the fee housed in the CIO office, they want it housed in the Auxiliary so that the students have more control over the funds. Bahar is in contact with Budget Office and DJ is in contact with CIO.

Software Updates: Students want to have MS Office over adobe. There is another option to let them have licenses that will expire. There is the possibility to get a better deal with the software companies for the students as they are giving a great deal to staff and faculty.

Staff Comments on Tech Fee:

Hugh said that the chancellor can reduce the fee anytime. The students can make a recommendation to the chancellor but the referendum has to include language that allows for that flexibility.

Next steps: Provide formal feedback on the draft that SGC drafted. Fab will send the draft to Bahar, DJ and Nolan

Supplement on the ASUC Fee

Students are working with Hugh to see what it would mean to add more to the existing fee. He is waiting for a response from UCOP.

If they were to increase it, it may breakdown as follows pending UCOP's response: \$45 with a \$15 return to aid and the rest would be split between ASUC/GA. ASUC money will go to the senate to distribute to student groups. The GA portion will also go to student groups and programming.

Nolan: ASUC does not want to rely on fees to support their programming. They want to do some projection on the LS revenue.

Action Needed: Follow up with Sabina for updates to the website.

What is coming up?

Department Proposals

Possibly from Rec Sports

No other fall referendums as of now.

Rec fee is expiring 2016, would have to go on the ballot in Spring 2015. Can the fee be lower?

When should the next meeting be?

Hugh suggests: Review drafts and give feedback by the end of the calendar year.

Students don't think it is feasible to meet before end of year due to finals but they will consult with DeeJay to talk about when we can meet.

Agenda Items:

Potential invite of CIO or IST for tech fee feedback

Spring:

Potential Invite: Mike Weinberg to discuss RSF fee